Docket No.: 0445-0364PUS1

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Namie ITOI et al.

Application No.: 10/586,314

Confirmation No.: 2570

Filed: August 8, 2008

Art Unit: 3761

For: ABSORBENT ARTICLE

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant wishes to advise the United States Patent and Trademark Office that the references cited in the International Search Report were previously filed on July 14, 2006.

As evidence of Applicant's previous submission of the references cited in the International Search Report in connection with the present application, Applicant encloses a copy of the postcard indicating receipt of the references cited in the International Search Report by the United States Patent and Trademark Office and payment of the appropriate fees by the Applicant.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Dated:

AUG 2 7 2008

Respectfully submitted,

John W/Bailey

Registration No.: 32,881

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

8110 Gatehouse Road

Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747

Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

Attorney for Applicant

Attachments: Copy of Postcard Receipt

Atty Docket No.: 0445-0364PUS1

Inventor: Namie ITOI et al

Application No.: NEW Title: ABSORBENT ARTICLE Filing Date: July 14, 2006

Documents Filed: Application Data Sheet (4 pages) JIDS (Citation) by Applicant (4 References) (1 page) PCT/IB/301, PCT/IB/304, PCT/IB/S11, Orawings - Two __Cneck in the amount of \$1,030,00 (2) Sheets Copy of the International application English language translation of the International application (24 pages) Jinformation Disclosure Statement (2 pages) 10/586314 First Preliminary Amendment (5 pages) Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated-Elected Office (3 pages)

IAP7 Rec'UPCT/PTO 14 JUL 2006

Via:

Sender's Initials:

JWB/clb

Due Date: July 14, 2006

Date: July 14, 2006

Atty Docket No.: 0445-0364PUS1

Inventor:

Namie l'101 et al

Application No.: NEW

ABSORBENT ARTICLE

JUL 1 4 2006

Filing Date: July 14, 2006

67

Documents Filed:

Application Data Sheet (4 pages)

Application Oata Sheet (4 pages) . TRACTER OF POTABISTIC DISTRICT (2) Sheets

DS (Citation) by Applicant (4 References) (1 page)

Check in the amount of \$1,030 (iii)

. Copy of the International application

, English language translation of the International application (24 pages)

/Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages)

First Proliminary Amendment (5 pages)

Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated-Elected Office (3 pages): بر

Via:

Sender's Initials: JWB/clb Due Date: July 14, 2006

Date: July 14, 2006